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8,000 Workers Short

Shakeup on the Home Front

There are 8,000 jobs going begging in Arkansas because men and women aren't available to fill them, says a press release by the U. S. Employment Service yesterday.

Duisburg Plants Blasted by Huge RAF Bombers

London, April 10 (AP)—Duisburg and other industrial points in Germany's Ruhr valley were the targets for Royal Air Force explosive and incendiary bombs as the RAF continued its day-and-night hammering in another raid last night, an air ministry communique announced today.

Eight bombers failed to return from the raid, the third night sortie this month against Germany, the ministry said.

Enemy shipping off the Norwegian coast also was attacked earlier in the night by coastal command aircraft, which torpedoed one tanker. Two coastal command planes are missing, it was announced.

It was the 56th raid of the war on Duisburg, large inland port which last was blitzed on the night of March 26. About 12 miles west of Essen, it has many important war factories, and is one of the biggest railway junctions in the Ruhr.

The RAF's new round-the-clock bombing of the continent was resumed Thursday night with a heavy raid on the Ruhr area, but the RAF's objective that night were not announced.

Four Pöckel-Wulf 190's were shot down and several others severely damaged by Spitfire and Typhoon on offensive patrol in the Cap Gris-les-Nez area of the French coast shortly before dusk yesterday, the air ministry news service said.

All of the Allied fighters returned safely.

One of the RAF pilots was a Norwegian who shot his first kill of the war — it came on the third anniversary of the Nazi invasion of Norway.

After damaging and dispersing the German group — "like a cat" one pilot said — one quadron of Typhoon turned their guns on three enemy minesweepers off Le Havre, scoring many hits.

The German communique today, a broadcast from Berlin and recorded by the Associated Press, acknowledged loss to civilians and damage to buildings from the latest British night attack on western Germany, and said at least eight of the raiders were destroyed.

The British attack on German shipping along the Norwegian coast also was reported by the Nazi communique, which said it was entirely unsuccessful and cost the Allies two torpedo-carrying planes.

MOP Official Dies at Hot Springs

Hot Springs, April 10 (AP)—H. H. Safford, 67, Houston, Tex., senior executive assistant to the president of the Missouri Pacific railroad, died of a brain hemorrhage at 2 a. m. today at his hotel room here.

The veteran railroad official arrived here yesterday in his private car, accompanied by his wife and his personal physician, Dr. Ray Dingley, Houston.

A native of Madison Ind., Safford was educated at Purdue University, and has spent his life with railroads. He had been with the Missouri Pacific for the past 15 years and prior to that had been employed in executive capacities by the Burlington, the Grand Trunk of Canada, the Illinois Central and the Pennsylvania.

In addition to his widow, the former Miss Nell Whittemore of Little Rock, he is survived by a son, Capt. H. R. Safford, Jr., chief intelligence officer at the Red River Ordnance plant, Texarkana, Tex.; and a sister, Miss Annie Laurie Safford, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. Safford announced the body would be returned to Houston where funeral services probably would be held Monday.

A camel can do the work of four mules, and four of the animals have the pulling strength of a truck. They are far less liable to injury than a horse, a mule or even a motor truck, and can take loads to a lot of places no motor could go.

The mountain laurel is the state flower of Connecticut.

Enemy Bases in Pacific Hard Hit by Americans

By The Associated Press
Allied warplanes poured 63,000 rounds of cannon and machine-gun fire into Japanese positions in northern New Guinea and blasted nine enemy bases in the islands above Australia. Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced today.

The heaviest assault fell upon the Madang area, long the Japanese supply route to their base at Salamau and Lae, and dispatches said the raiders left big fires raging and that a single fighter group made 27 strafing passes over the region.

Other targets included Finschhafen, Mubo, Kavieng, Timika, Dobo and Saumlaki — all points of increasing Japanese activity as the enemy tightened his grip on the South Seas area.

On the Burma front, British headquarters announced there was "nothing to report" in fighting north of the Mayu peninsula, where the Japanese have been driving toward the Burma-India frontier.

By contrast, Imperial Tokyo headquarters asserted Japanese troops had encircled British-Indian forces at the frontier and that the group was being "annihilated."

In the skies, the British command said, RAF bombers pounded Japanese shipping and highway traffic in a series of raids over southern Burma and attacked Japanese-occupied villages on the Mayu peninsula along the Bay of Bengal.

Meanwhile, American P-40's shot up Japanese-held Fort Bayard in Kwangchow-shan territory, on the South China coast, streaming 10,000 rounds of heavy caliber machine-gun bullets into the Japanese commander's headquarters, warehouses, airbase, radio station and ground troops.

The Solomons, the navy acknowledged the loss of a destroyer and three other vessels in a mid-week Japanese raid on shipping off Guadalcanal — and thus countered Tokyo's claim that 15 Allied warships and transports were sunk or damaged. The navy said 34 of 59 Japanese planes in the attack were shot down.

A brighter outlook for the Allied war effort in the Pacific next year was envisioned by Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, who said the United States is now producing fighting ships on a heroic scale and is at the beginning of ultimate victory.

Knox said the fleet's tonnage would increase 60 percent this year, and declared:

"We will make further additions in 1944 to insure the obliteration of Japanese sea power."

Sunrise Easter Service at School Stadium

The annual community Sunrise Easter Service will be held Sunday morning, April 25th, at 7:00 o'clock at the Hope High School. Unless the weather is unfavorable, the service will be held in the athletic stadium; in the event of inclement weather it will be held in the High School auditorium.

As in previous years the service will consist of congregational singing, scripture reading, prayer, a special musical number, and an Easter message. The preacher this year will be the Rev. Paul Gaston, pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle. In view of the fact that Easter comes later in the year this year than usual, a large attendance is expected.

LaGuardia Offers Services to Army

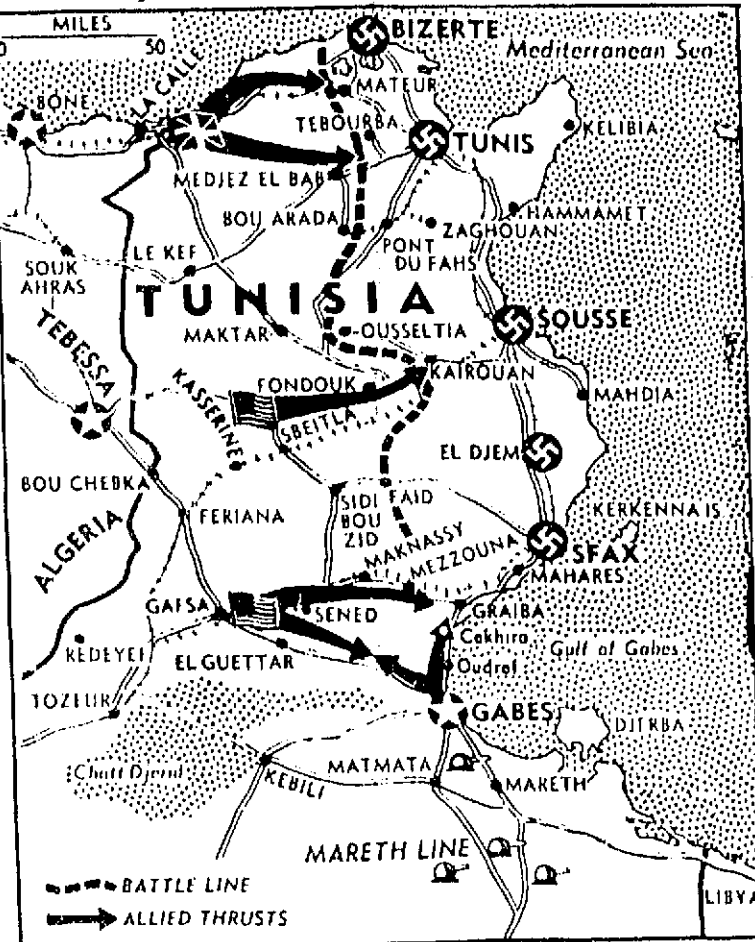
Washington, April 10 (AP)—Secretary of War Stimson said today Mayor La Guardia of New York had offered his services to the armed forces but "it would be very difficult to find any place in the army" where he could be as helpful as in his present job.

"After talking it over we decided to leave it open and the mayor assured me he would always be available if needed," Stimson told a press conference.

The secretary said he feels La Guardia is "in his present office rendering directly to New York and indirectly to the nation" services of great value.

There had been some talk of making La Guardia, who was a major and flier in the last war, a brigadier general, perhaps with an assignment especially affecting Italy, since he is of Italian ancestry.

Today's War Map



Today's war map pictures the American-British advance in southern Tunisia after their junction. This map also shows the British First Army driving toward Mateur, Tebourba in the north.

Lower Poultry Prices Hinted by OPA Office

Washington, April 10 (AP)—High government circles hinted today that poultry, egg and fresh vegetable prices may be among the first to be cut by the Office of Price Administration in carrying out President Roosevelt's order to hold or cut the cost of living.

These commodities, usually well-informed officials said, were likely to "rolled back" at all price points from the farm to the retail grocery store. However, no official confirmation of such action was obtainable from OPA.

From the standpoint of the nation's basic markets, what loomed as a more important development was a move to force down the price of live hogs from current levels near \$16 per hundredweight to about \$14.50. This plan, which would not affect retail meat prices but would be intended to safeguard retail pork cuts from potential future increases, was said to bear the joint endorsement of Food Administrator Chester C. Davis and OPA Administrator Prentiss M. Brown.

They were expected to issue a joint statement today, either announcing such action or warning it will be taken unless hog prices come down of their own accord. Also slated were companion moves to boost government "support prices" for hogs — now \$13.25 per hundredweight — so as to reassure producers against further price cuts; to increase prices for corn to stimulate sales of feed for livestock; and to seek a 15 per cent increase in the fall crop of pigs.

The hog price action was scheduled for announcement late yesterday, but last minute details postponed it.

Developments on other phases of the price side — "hold the line against inflation" order were slow. The War Manpower Commission hinted lack of funds — threefold by Congress — to do much about new powers to keep workers from switching jobs in search of higher pay. John L. Lewis maintained his demand of a \$2 per day boost in miner wages on the theory that mine wages fitted the "sub standard" exception made by Mr. Roosevelt to his ban on wage raises. No legislative hurry was noted to being forth specific tax or savings programs.

Hempstead School Fund Is \$7,878

Little Rock, April 9 (AP)—The education department estimated today that allocations to local districts from the common school fund would total \$6,069,028 for the fiscal year ending June 30.

April allocations of \$483,800 were made yesterday and department attaches said similar allocations would be made in May and June.

Last year's common school fund distribution was \$5,000,000. April distribution by counties included: Columbia \$7,402; Hempstead \$7,878; Jefferson \$15,796; Ouachita \$8,141; Washington \$8,978.

House Group Seeks Vacation During Easter

Washington, April 10 (AP)—With compromise plans sprouting faster than victory gardens, the House of Representatives persisted today in hopes for an Easter vacation today, on the heels of the scenes of party leaders to break a Ways and Means Committee deadlock on pay-as-you-go tax legislation.

For Republican Leader Martin La Follette before the legislators an ultimatum amounting to this: "No tax bill, no holiday" — and Democratic chiefs privately conceded the boss of the House minority forces could make it stick.

On the surface, there were few indications of a crack in the deadlock which has persisted since the House rejected the Republican-backed, Ruml skip-a-year tax plan and tossed back at the committee a no-abatement proposal drafted by the Democratic majority.

But Speaker Rayburn (D-Tex) yesterday called in four Democratic members of the committee for a two-hour conference, amid rumors he was insisting on top priority for tax legislation despite a crowded calendar.

Rayburn declined to divulge of the discussion, and Committee Chairman Doughton (D-N.C.) offered no indication that he was budging from his position that the tax bill must be sidetracked for other business.

However, one of the conferees, asked whether a bill would be brought out soon, replied: "I wouldn't be surprised. Perhaps you will hear something about that tomorrow."

House Majority Leader McCormack (D-Mass) has called for a compromise. So have several other Democrats, among them Rep. Hebbard (D-La.), a former supporter of the Ruml plan, who philosophized on the floor that "if we can't have the whole loaf, I think it is best to take half of it."

But the question of whether the closely-knit Republican minority is ready to compromise remained uncertain. Martin said that, no matter what bill the committee offered, the Republicans would insist on an open rule, a parliamentary procedure permitting amendments to be offered from the floor under which the Republicans could, if they chose, make a second try for the Ruml plan.

Effort to Control The Flow of Meat

Washington, April 8 (AP)—In what officials said was a move to provide a more even flow of meats to civilians, the food administration has suspended an order requiring livestock slaughterers to set aside certain percentage of their production for military and lend-lease uses.

This action, however, will not provide any greater quantity of meat for civilians, than was contemplated when rationing was started, officials explained.

Slaughterers must continue to operate under a restriction order which sets up civilian quotas. Rationing is based on these quotas.

Nazi Efforts to Smash South of Balakleya Fail —Europe

By EDDY GILMOR
Moscow, April 10 (AP)—Massing new forces, the Germans have tried again to smash the Red Army south of Balakleya but have lost more than 1,200 dead and a number of tanks in the battle for bridgeheads along the Donets river.

In their newest thrust, the Nazis sought to drive through the Russian line to reach an unidentified settlement but they were forced back to their original positions.

(The German high command communique, broadcast from Berlin and recorded by the Associated Press, devoted but one sentence to the Russian campaign, saying "no operation of importance took place on the eastern front yesterday.")

The arm newspaper Red Star said that battles are fierce in this area 27 miles northwest of Izum but there is no indication that the assaults are on the gigantic scale which the Russian turned back on the Northern Donets line.

Front dispatches said the Germans were using fresh force south of Balakleya. The biggest single attack was with 20 tanks and an infantry regiment thrown against a narrow sector. A hail of artillery, machine-gun and rifle fire met them, and successive enemy charges were smashed.

Seven German tanks rumbled out of a ravine toward the Red Army line to open the attack but close range fire by Soviet artillery and anti-tank guns destroyed several and the others turned and ran. Subsequent assault were smashed by Russian batteries, Red Star said.

The noon communique did not mention fighting in the sector south of Izum but the Red Army presumably still holds its original bridgeheads all along the river.

There still were no large scale fights on the western front but in the sector south of Bely the Russian advancing toward Smolensk captured a height of vital importance as more activity was noted.

Rain hampered action in the Kuban delta where the Red Army still held the initiative in numerous small and sharp battles in the mudflats and the swamps.

Rain which probably have drenched large sectors along other fronts have kept them quiet.

From the Red line came a report that Stormovik bombers sank a large German transport ship crowded with troops at an unidentified place on the Black sea coast.

Southwood Due to Complete Oil Well Soon

Stamps, Ark., April 10.—Special to the Hope Star—The next test scheduled for completion in the Midway field is Southwood Oil Company's Hodnett No. 9 SE NE section 18-23. Possibility was toped Thursday at 6440 feet.

Coring operations were in progress today. Southwood has been very successful with its operations in the Midway area thus far, a total of eight wells have been drilled by that company without a single failure.

Barnsdall Oil Company's Millard F. Creek NE SW of section 10-15-24 scheduled for completion this week was a dry hole and is being abandoned. Some saturation was encountered but officials decided it was a poor commercial risk. Water was being injected in the hole in order to keep the bottom hole pressure up in the field. Other activities in the Midway area include: Gene Goff drilling below 440 feet at the Darnell No. 2 NE NE of section 9-15-24. Barnsdall Oil Company expects to begin soon at its Luzenia Creek SE NW of section 9-15-24.

Barnsdall still has hopes of a producer in its Grace No. 1 in Miller county. Swabbing operations were in progress at the close of the week with a total depth reported as 6695 feet. The McKemie field continues inactive but it is believed that as soon as the Desulphurization plant which is now being constructed in that area, is completed, the field will become one of the most active in the state due to the enormous amount of saturation encountered in all tests thus far drilled. The Desulphurization plant will sweeten the poisonous gas now produced from the wells and make it fit for domestic and commercial use.

Since 1919 more than one-third of the British population has been rehoused, mostly in projected financed by the government.

Rout Axis From Base; Prisoner Toll 20,000

Two Mistakes Prove Costly to Rommel

By DON WHITEHEAD
With the British Eighth Army North of Gabes, April 8 (Delayed)—It is now apparent that Field Marshal Rommel has made a mistake — or rather two mistakes — which may go a long way toward shortening the war in Tunisia.

In the first place he pulled the bulk of his tank strength back from positions facing the British Eighth Army to meet an American threat on his flank, presumably on the assumption the Eighth would be unable to attack as soon as it did.

In the second place, when the attack came, he obviously misjudged the direction of the British main thrust and counterattacked in a sector which failed to stop up the push.

Rommel apparently did not expect the British attack to be directed at the strongest defenses on his front, but that was where Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery chose to throw the weight of his infantry, guns and armor.

Within a matter of hours the Wadi El Akarit and team-take biches beyond it adbeen bridged and armor was pouring across into the milewide gap between the heights of Fatnassa and Roumana, which command the entire coastal plain.

When Rommel counter-attacked with 20 tanks and 1,000 infantry men, he struck on the east side of Roumana instead of hitting at the gap between the heights, thus leaving the British free to exploit this bridgehead.

Fatnassa and Roumana were the keys to the whole situation desert-wise. British troops turned mountain fighter to storm these rocky knobs and surprise the German Italian defender, who apparently had not anticipated such a bold move.

Indian Gurkhas swarmed up the steep slopes to seize Fatnassa while British troops chambered up Roumana.

A tall, fair-haired giant major of a Scottish outfit which participated in the attack on Roumana said his men moved across the plain under cover of darkness to the foot of the height without encountering any opposition, mine fields, wire or anti-tank ditches.

Not until the British forces reached the top of the height were they challenged by the enemy, the sergeant-major said, indicating the completeness of the surprise. There the defenses were overwhelmed in brief but bitter fighting at close quarters and the sergeant-major sent up a rocket to indicate the position had been taken.

Once in control of the heights, and with their armor and anti-tank guns across the Wadi, the British were ready when the enemy counterattacked in the afternoon. They beat off German thrusts east of Roumana and other related infantry attacks.

The enemy then apparently realized his position was hopeless and began withdrawing under cover of darkness, but not before the British had taken, more than 5,000 prisoners — all but 98 of them Italians.

German planes came over last night to bomb and machine-gun the British. William Forrest, correspondent of the London News Chronicle, was wounded in the head by a bomb splinter.

Montgomery attacked and a tank battle was fought southeast of the swampy lake that morning.

The enemy forces withdrew and by late afternoon had formed a screen around Mezzouna to the northwest on the road from Maknassy to Mahares in a desperate attempt to prevent the Americans in the Maknassy area from cutting them off in an attack on their rear.

That afternoon another battle in which both sides used tanks, and the Germans relied also on anti-tank guns, was fought southeast of Mezzouna.

Rommel threw in his Mark VI Tiger tanks, weighing 60 tons, but to no avail. His forces again were defeated.

That night he began another withdrawal to a new line between Sfax and Sidi Aguerro, 14 miles to the southwest, but his entire defense line was off in an attack on the British, entering Mahares, 22 miles south of Sfax, at 1:30 p. m. yesterday were able to move on into Sfax this morning.

At last reports Montgomery's veterans were still hot on the chase to the north.

State Police Probing Fire in Timberland

Arkadelphia, April 9 (AP)—State police today entered an investigation launched by the Forestry Department of a fire which destroyed more than 800 acres of merchantable pine timber near here last Sunday.

Don't ask him how the cat did it, but early next morning there it was back, parked comfortably between two tin hens.

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Morgenthau Urges People to Buy Bonds

BY HENRY MORGENTHAU, JR.
Secretary of the Treasury
(Written For The Associated Press)
Washington, April 9 The financial demands of the war have stretched to every corner of the country the need for lending fighting dollars to the government.

Even with history-making numbers already holding a stake in the nation's future, next millions will have to be added to the lists of shareholders in American during the \$13,000,000,000 Second War Loan drive which the treasury will launch next week. Thousands of volunteer workers from every group in our national life will be collaborating with their government in the campaign to sell securities to their friends neighbors and business associates. Busy as they will be in this important task concentrated into a brief period, they will find their work im-plicitly tremendously by the splendid contributions that have been made and will be made by the industries that provide our public with information and advertising.

Naturally, one of the great jobs in this field is that contemplated by the newspapers of American. The press -- daily and weekly, urban and rural -- has long been of importance in the treasury's financing programs. With the develop-ment of the war savings cam-paign, the publishers and editors and reporter and artists and car-rier boys have joined in a superb will to tell the story of the war bonds and stamps and to sell them as well.

Last month I invited to the Treasury leaders of the newspaper industry who were asked for sug-gestions in the conduct of the second war loan drive. I was de-lighted by the spontaneity with which they recognized our prob-lems and offered ever further co-operation. As a result, they or-ganized themselves into an allied newspaper council to work shoulder to shoulder with us in this gigantic undertaking. In addition to the constant advisory aid of the members of the council they have made available to us the full time ser-vices of several of their most tal-ented colleagues.

So painstakingly are the prepara-tions for participation by this group that I know that no individ-ual who reads their publications will be unaware of the purpose of our campaign or of the securities that are being offered. On behalf of the treasury, I am happy to make public acknowl-edge-ment of the valuable support be-ing provided to us by the nation's press.

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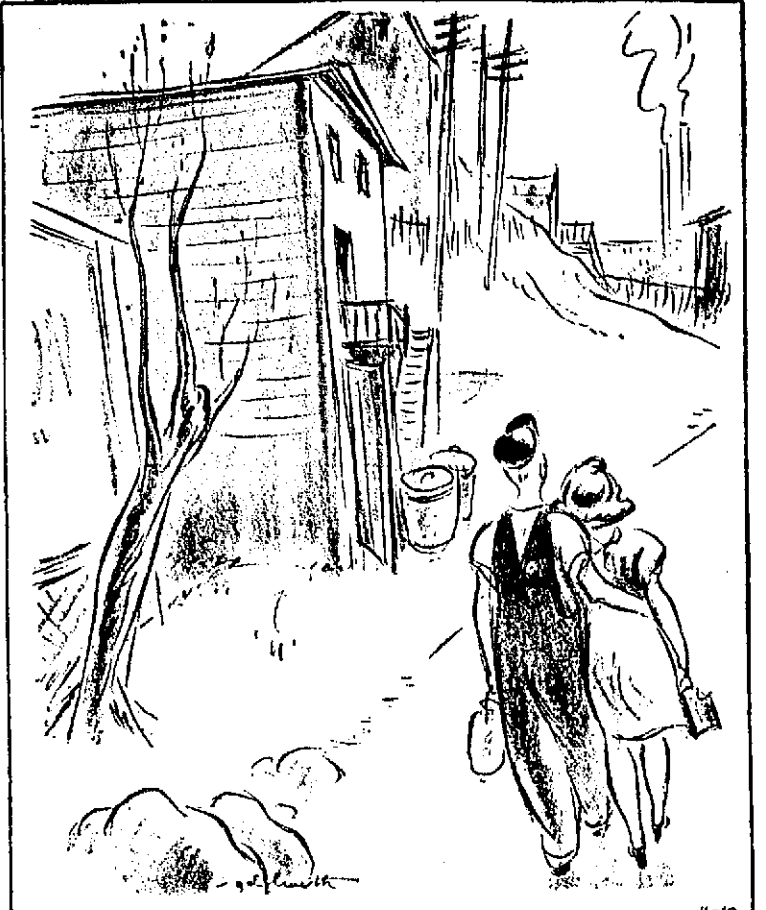
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By Galbraith



"Yes, spring is mighty pretty here, especially when you think of those cities in Europe torn up by bombs!"

FUNNY BUSINESS



"Have you been going around in circles?"

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



ANSWER: A person who classifies plants and animals.

NEXT: Learning from the dumb animals.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE with Major Hoople



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Social and Personal

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Social Calendar

Monday, April 12th
Group 2 of the Women's Christian Council of the First Christian church, home of the leader, Mrs. Oliver Adams, 3 o'clock.

Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church, mission study, the church, 2:30 o'clock.

St. Mark's Auxiliary will meet at the church at 4 o'clock.

The monthly meeting of the Women's Society of Christian Service will be held at the First Methodist church, 3 o'clock.

Tuesday, April 13th
Iris Garden club, home of Mrs. Claud Ague with Mrs. Frank Porter, co-hostess, 3 o'clock.

Wednesday, April 14th
Mayor Albert Graves will be the guest speaker at the April meeting of the Paisley P. T. A. at the school, 3 o'clock.

Mrs. J. C. Carlton continues as Friday Music Club President.

In a meeting of the Friday Music club at the home of Mrs. C. C. McNeil, the nominating committee named the following officers to serve during the new club year:

President, Mrs. J. C. Carlton; 1st vice president, Mrs. C. C. McNeil; 2nd vice president, Mrs. Dick Watkins; 3rd vice president, Mrs. Edwin Hankins; recording secretary, Mrs. Eugene White; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Edwin Stewart; treasurer, Mrs. Henry Haynes; auditor, Mrs. C. C. McNeil; parliamentarian, Mrs. F. L. Padgett; librarian and choral director, Mrs. B. W. Edwards; custodian, Mrs. J. O. Miam.

Mrs. Dick Watkins presented a most interesting study on "Music in the Renaissance Era." Stressing Bach and Handel, Mrs. Henry Haynes gave an informative discussion on music in the 18th century.

The Third Movement of Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata" was rendered by Mrs. B. W. Edwards. Mrs. B. H. Pickard of the Southwestern

Proving Ground played a piano selection from one of Bach's Easter Cantatas and a Bach Chorale. Preceding the program the Choral club met for practice.

Lula McSwain Society Has Business Session
The regular business meeting of the Lula McSwain circle of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Emmet Methodist church was held Wednesday afternoon at the church.

Mrs. Herman Reyenga was in charge of the opening service and read a helpful devotion. Mrs. E. M. Youmans had the opening prayer.

Following the devotional, the president heard reports from the various committees. Mrs. T. L. Garland was elected chairman of children's work by the society.

At the suggestion of Mrs. J. M. Johnson, the circle will hold a rummage sale Saturday, April 10 at the entrance of the Emmet Merc. Co.

The meeting was closed with a prayer.

Coming and Going

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crutchfield of Camden and Ensign Charles Crutchfield, stationed with the United States Naval Reserve at Houston, visited relatives and friends in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Rettig of Pine Bluff are the guests of friends this weekend.

Miss Mary Sue Phillips departed this week for Houston, where she will spend a month with her brother, Taylor Phillips, and Mrs. Phillips.

Communicues

Coy H. Clements, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Clements of Hope R. 2, was graduated April 9 from the hospital corps school at the U. S. Naval hospital at Great Lakes, Ill. His graduation terminated a six-week course of preliminary training at the school. He is now rated as a hospital apprentice, second class.

Vegetable Crops Said Improving

Washington, April 9.—(AP)—The Agriculture Department had good news today for housewives who have been experiencing difficulty in getting fresh vegetables.

It said vegetable crops, after undergoing heavy losses from severe frozes in Florida and other southern producing areas in late February, now are improving rapidly.

Acres that were replanted following the February frozes should come into production about the middle of April and should furnish heavy supplies about May 1, the department said.

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Injured Foot May Hamper Brooklyn Pitcher

By JUDSON BAILEY

New York, April 10.—(AP)—One of the best major league prospects ever to get up to the big show with out a chance of staying is Harold Arthur Peck of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Peck was one of the stars of the Milwaukee Brewers last season and led the American Association in total hits. He was such a prize that even though he shot two toes off of his left foot in an accident last September, Larry MacPhail bought him for a fancy price.

Peck's problem now is this—his foot has not yet mended sufficiently for him to earn an outfield berth with the Dodgers and when it does get well he must report for induction.

This seems like a hopeless circle for the immediate baseball ambitions of the 20-year old Swatter from Geneva, Wis.

"I still feel quite a bit of pain," he said today, "but I wear a special shoe with spongy rubber in the toe and I do a little running every day. I don't know how long it will take to heal, but I expect to play baseball somewhere this year."

"I was classified 1A last fall before the draft board knew about my foot. When they examined me they didn't give me any new classification, they just told me and my doctor to report back as soon as the foot was well. I figure that I will be able to get around, or if for a couple of hours a day in a ball game before I will be in shape for the army. I have to wear a special dress shoe, too, and I wouldn't be able to do much marching for some time."

Peck is married and the father of a nine-month-old daughter.

Sports Mirror

By The Associated Press
Today A Year Ago—Melio Beltrina, 184 3-4, outpointed Bob Beck with 175 12-10 round bout at Chicago.

Three Years Ago—Jake Pettit of New York Yankees, suffered a brain concussion in exhibition game with Dodgers.

Five Years Ago—Suffolk Downs bid \$100,000 for War Admiral Seabiscuit match race in July.

The islands of the Bismarck archipelago in the South Pacific were called the New Britain group before 1884.

Iraq is the first full-fledged Moslem member of the United Nations.

Today's Guest Star

Ken Alyta, Watbury (Conn.) Republican: "We see that Connie Mack plans to abandon his score

SPORTS ROUNDUP

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.
Wide World Sports Columnist



New York, April 10.—(AP)—The other day, Al Del Greco, the Hackensack, N. J., sports scribe, came up with the suggestion that golf clubs suffering from the shortage of professionals might do worse than to hire some of the better feminine golfers to take their places.

There's no kidding about the shortage, either, though eventually the supply of golf courses may run short, too. A lot of the men who served their apprenticeship learning to make golf clubs have found that handling tools in war plants is right down their alley.

So along with Rosie the riveter and Susie the section hand, why not Pauline the golf pro?

Well, Why Not?

About a half dozen thirty-four-hole women golfers have turned pro—Helen Hicks, Patty Berg and Betty Hicks. Now for example—and Joe Dy, the U. S. Golf Association secretary, figures that any girl who can qualify for the women's championship is a good enough golfer for the job.

"They're really good," he says. "And women seem to take more lessons and show the effects of instruction more than the men."

On the negative side, there's the question of whether they could teach golf—especially to men, who play a hard-swinging game than most girls—whether they'd want to give up their amateur status for temporary jobs, and what would the crabbly quartet think about it, anyway.

As they remarks, "It's a question of would you want to take instruction from your wife?"

Brother, you may not want to, but you do.

One-Minute Sports Page

The Canadian Censor now has passed the news that Flight Sgt. Sigurd Hames of the Royal Norwegian Air Force—you remember "Smur of Lieut. Norway" who turned in some remarkable ski jumping feats a year or so ago—has been killed in action on a sweep over France.

Sid Luckman, Mr. Brains of the Chicago Bears, is the principal lecturer at the Purdue Football Clinic today.

Ab Greene and the New York Boxing Commission, are getting together on the featherweight title situation, which may mean the side tracking of Jackie Callura.

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board system of directing his out-felders this season. From the look of their roster, the Athletics won't give Mr. Mack or the scribes much need for a score card.

Service Dept.

Chief rival for the crack Norfolk Naval Training Station baseball team will be the nearby Naval Air Station Club, including such guys as Hugh Casey, Peewee R. Eddie Shokes, Hubby Walker, Murray Franklin, KKRASI Davis and playcoach Homer Peel. PFC, Americo Wojcyskie of the Marines, former Eastern Intercollegiate 175 pound boxing champion from Syracuse, spent his spare time on Guadalcanal collecting butterfly fish. He has a collection of 200 rare specimens.

Maj. Connie Smythe, exboss of the Toronto Maple Leafs, reports that his anti-aircraft battery in England recently won an all-around athletic competition, doing well in everything but hockey.

Corp. Ken Sylves (ex-former Yankees and White Sox catcher now playing for Camp Blanding, Fla., says he'd rather face Pepper Martin's spikes sliding into the plate than get mixed up in a day-one fight any day.

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Briefs From Big Major League Camps

By The Associated Press

Dodgers, Yank Reume
New York.—Although the Brooklyn Dodger and the New York Yankees resume their intracity series today, it is likely that President Ed Barrow of the Yank. will miss some of the action.

Frankie Crosetti, veteran infielder of the club and its only holdout, is expected during the day.

Ernie Bonham will start for the American Leaguers while Max Macon probably will get that chore for the Dodgers.

Cards, Browns Meet
St. Louis.—The world champion St. Louis Cardinals are no better than a 50-50 bet in the seven game city series with the Browns that gets under way today. A year ago the Browns tied the series although the Cardinals took the National League flag and then went on for the world crown.

Previous to that, the Browns had won the city title for three successive years.

Giants Take On Red Sox
New York.—The New York Giants, who have gone unbeaten through a series of spring games with service and minor league clubs, collided with the Boston Red Sox today. The Sox have been scored upon only once in their last 35 innings of play.

Manager Mel Ott chose Cliff Melton and Johnny Wittig for his pitchers today in hopes of lengthening the club's victory string while boss Joe Cronin of the Sox selected Ken Chase and Anton Karl to share the duty.

Pitching Elates Wilson
Louisville, Ky.—Jimmy Wilson, pilot of the Chicago Cubs, is so

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